

REMARKS

The Office allows claims 1-6 indicating the application is in condition for allowance except for formal matters, so that prosecution as to the merits is closed in accordance with *Ex parte Quayle*, 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213. Claims 1-6 (1 independent claims; 6 total claims) remain pending in the application.

The Office indicates that claim 1 is improper under 37 C.F.R. §1.121 due to a grammatical mistake in the claim listing (which is different from the claim as originally filed). The claim as originally filed is correct. Applicant has corrected the grammatical mistake made in a prior claim listing with an amendment to claim 1.

The Office also objects to claims 2-6 under 37 C.F.R. §1.52, because there is insufficient spacing between the lines. Applicant provides a properly formatted claim listing of all pending claims.

The Office requests a substitute Declaration, which Applicant attaches to this Response. This substitute Declaration includes a proper priority claim as explained in the Response filed on August 25, 2004.

Finally, the Examiner indicates that the references listed in the specification have not been disclosed in a proper Information Disclosure Statement (IDS), but that Applicant has not commented on this matter. The references listed in the specification will not be disclosed in a proper Information Disclosure Statement (IDS), so that they will not be considered by the Examiner.

Support for any amendments may be found in the originally filed specification, claims, and figures. No new matter has been introduced by these amendments. Reconsideration of this application is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

Thus, the Applicant respectfully submits that the present application is in condition for allowance. Reconsideration of the above formalities is thus requested. Applicant invites the Office to telephone the undersigned if he or she has any questions whatsoever regarding this Response or the present application in general.

Respectfully submitted,

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